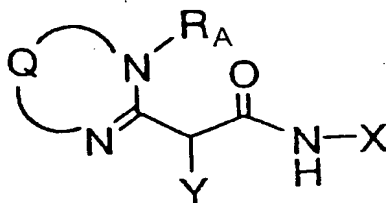


ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

DYE-FORMING COUPLER, SILVER HALIDE  
PHOTOGRAPHIC LIGHT-SENSITIVE MATERIAL  
5 AND AZOMETHINE DYE COMPOUND

A dye-forming coupler and compound of formula (I):

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wherein Q represents a residue that forms, together with -N-C=N-, a nitrogen-containing 6-membered ring; R<sub>A</sub> represents an aryl, heterocyclic, or -(R<sub>1</sub>)<sub>r</sub>-(R<sub>4</sub>)<sub>m</sub> group; X represents an aryl group; Y represents a hydrogen atom, or a group capable of being split-off upon a coupling reaction with an oxidized product of a developing agent:

wherein,

when R<sub>A</sub> represents an -(R<sub>1</sub>)<sub>r</sub>-(R<sub>4</sub>)<sub>m</sub> group, R<sub>1</sub> represents a methylene group, a methine group, or a carbon atom; r is 1 to 30; R<sub>4</sub> represents a substituent except for a hydrogen atom; m is 1 to 30; and the -(R<sub>1</sub>)<sub>r</sub>-(R<sub>4</sub>)<sub>m</sub> group does not represent a straight-chain alkyl group.